

Applicant : Hendrik J. Van Walsem et al.
Serial No. : 10/625,861
Filed : July 23, 2003
Page : 2 of 3

Attorney's Docket No.: 14074-003001

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheets include formal drawings of FIGs. 1-3 and replace the drawings filed on July 23, 2003.

Attachments following last page of this Amendment:

Replacement Sheet (3 pages)

REMARKS

In response to the action mailed November 17, 2005, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, i.e., claims 1-27 and 108-111, drawn to a method of separating a polymer from a biomass using a centrifugal force. Applicants further elect MIBK as the single species for a solvent, poly(3-hydroxybutyrate-co-4-hydroxyburate) as the single species for a polymer, and hexane as the single species for a precipitant. Claims 1-3, 5-27, and 108-111 read on the elected species. The election is made without traverse.

The Examiner objected to Figures 2 and 3. Applicants attached herewith formal drawings of Figures 1-3 and request reconsider and withdrawal of this objection.

Applicants ask that the application be examined in view of the above election and amendment.

Enclosed is a check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee. Please apply any other charges to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney's Docket No.: 14074-003001.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 2-17-06



Tony Zhang
Reg. No. L0256

Fish & Richardson P.C.
225 Franklin Street
Boston, MA 02110
Telephone: (617) 542-5070
Facsimile: (617) 542-8906
21267992.doc